

AGENDA: BILATERAL MEETING TO DISCUSS THE EIGHT ISSUES OUTLINED IN THE JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28.

morning:

Official greetings

- 1.) Welcoming remarks. H.E. Philip Muller, Minister of Foreign Affairs.
- 2.) DOE remarks. Paul Seligman, M.D., M.P.H., Deputy Assistant Secretary.
- 3.) Interior remarks. Nancy Fanning, Deputy Director.
- 4.) State remarks. H.E. Joan Plaisted, Ambassador.
- 5.) Remarks from atoll Senators or Mayors.

ISSUE #1 - Land-based vs. sea-based medical delivery

- 1.) RMI: participants in the DOE medical program. What are the experiences/preferences of the recipient communities?
 - Presentation by Rongelap Atoll
 - Presentation by Utirik Atoll
 - Ministry of Health - implications of the different options for the RMI public health infrastructure, facility considerations
- 2.) DOE: experiences with the Pohnpei-based vessel, pros and cons of each approach, possible options.
- 3.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman. (Commitment to either a land or sea-based approach, or a combination of the two. Directions for the preparation of an MOU to sign at the May meeting)

afternoon:

ISSUE #2 - independent review of the medical program

- 1.) RMI position: why this still remains important to the RMI
- 2.) U.S. position.
- 3.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman. (Identification of potential funding sources, i.e. Congress)

ISSUE #3 - collaborative decision-making

- 1.) RMI position: government-to-government agreements with collaboration of the atolls.
- 2.) remarks from individual atolls
- 3.) U.S. Government position: what the U.S. requires in order to solidify agreements.
- 4.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman.

(Verbal acknowledgement of the official way to make decisions).

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29.

morning: ISSUE #4 - reexamination of the terms "exposed." and "unexposed."

- 1.) RMI panel: Co-chaired by Phillip Muller and Tony deBrum
 - Tony deBrum - implications of these terms
 - Howard Hills - history of the Compact
 - John Milne - workers
 - Rongelap
 - Nuclear Claims Tribunal
 - 177 Health Care Program
 - discussion of the documents - Banny deBrum
- 2.) U.S. Government position/response
- 3.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman.
(Bilateral approach to resolving the issue).

afternoon: ISSUE #5 - integration and coordination of the three medical care systems: DOE, 177, and RMI public health.

- 1.) RMI presentations. Ideas for consideration.
 - 177 program
 - Ministry of Health
- 2.) DOE presentation. Ideas for consideration.
 - DOE medical program
- 3.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman.
(Preparation of an MOU for signature at the May meeting)

ISSUE #6 - document and records retrieval and availability

- 1.) RMI remarks.
 - Banny deBrum - report on progress made in Washington, D.C.
- 2.) U.S. Government remarks.
 - DOE - future plans
- 3.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman.
(Preparation of an MOU for signature at the May meeting)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30.

morning: ISSUE #7 - environmental and resettlement issues

- 1.) RMI remarks.
 - Bikini Atoll
 - Enewetak Atoll
 - Utirik Atoll

Rongelap Atoll

2.) U.S. Government remarks.

Review of the science.

3.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman.

afternoon: ISSUE #8 - scope and eligibility of the DOE medical program

1.) RMI panel: co-chaired by Phillip Muller and Tony deBrum

177 HCP - care of DOE patients in the interim

NCT -

individual atolls - examples of people falling through the cracks

women's health - Holly Barker

2.) U.S. remarks.

3.) Decision-making. Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31.

9:00 - 3:00 p.m. Meeting of the drafting groups. Participation determined jointly by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman throughout the week.

3:00 p.m. Reports from the chairs of the drafting groups

4:00 p.m. Plans for work to be carried out before the May meeting.

Jointly chaired by Phillip Muller and Paul Seligman.

Closing remarks.

1.) RMI remarks. H.E. Philip Muller, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

2.) DOE remarks. Paul Seligman, M.D., M.P.H., Deputy Assistant Secretary.

3.) Interior remarks. Nancy Fanning, Deputy Director.

4.) State remarks. H.E. Joan Plaisted, Ambassador.

5.) Remarks from atoll Senators or Mavors.

5 p.m - dawn: Ambassador deBrum provides all the beer and sushi participants want (just because he's a nice guy).